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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Three bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2628–2630. Page S5632

Measures Reported: S. 1917, to provide for highway infrastructure investment at the guaranteed funding level contained in the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 107–163)

S. 2024, to amend title 23, United States Code, to authorize use of electric personal assistive mobility device on trails and pedestrian walkways constructed or maintained with Federal-aid highway funds. (S. Rept. No. 107–164)

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Terrorism Risk Insurance Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 2600, to ensure the continued financial capacity of insurers to provide coverage for risks from terrorism, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Brownback Amendment No. 3843, to prohibit the patentability of human organisms. Pages \$5624-25

Ensign Amendment No. 3844 (to Amendment No. 3843), to prohibit the patentability of human organisms.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on Brownback Amendment No. 3843 (listed above) and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a cloture vote will occur on Wednesday, June 19, 2002. Page S5625

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Tuesday, June 18, 2002, with a vote on the motion to close further debate on the bill to occur at approximately 9:45 a.m.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

John S. Bresland, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

Jeffrey S. Merrifield, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2007. (Reappointment)

Norman J. Pattiz, of California, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2004. (Reappointment)

Ellen R. Sauerbrey, of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as the Representative of the United States of America on the Commission on the Status of Women of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Amendments Submitted: Pages \$5634-41

Adjournment: Senate met at 2 p.m., and adjourned at 3:27 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, June 18, 2002. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$5641).

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider intelligence matters, but made no announcements, and recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 4945–4953; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 98 and H. Res. 445, were introduced. Pages H3600–01

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 3307, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire the property known as Pemberton's Headquarters and to modify the boundary of Vicksburg National Military Park to include that property (H. Rept. 107–508);

H.R. 3858, to modify the boundaries of the New River Gorge National River, West Virginia (H. Rept. 107–509); and

H. Res. 444, providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to H.R. 327, to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small businesses with certain Federal paperwork requirements and to establish a task force to examine the feasibility of streamlining paperwork requirements applicable to small businesses (H. Rept. 107–510). Page H3600

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Culberson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Thursday, June 13 by a yea-and-nay vote of 307 yeas to 45 nays, Roll No. 230.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:43 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H3566

Recess: The House recessed at 3:08 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. Page H3578

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Martin's Cove, Wyoming Land Transfer: H.R. 4103, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to transfer certain public lands in Natrona County, Wyoming, to the Corporation of the Presiding Bishop;

Pages H3567-70

James V. Hansen Shoshone National Trail: H.R. 3936, amended, to designate and provide for the management of the Shoshone National Recreation Trail. Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "A bill to designate and provide for the management of the James V. Hansen Shoshone National Trail, and for other purposes."; Pages H3570-71

Pu'ubonua O Honaunau National Historical Park, Hawaii Boundary Expansion: H.R. 1906, amended, to amend the Act that established the Pu'uhonua O Honaunau National Historical Park to expand the boundaries of that park; Pages H3571-73

National Homeownership Month: H. Con. Res. 415, recognizing National Homeownership Month and the importance of homeownership in the United States (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 358 yeas with none voting "nay," Roll No. 231); and

Pages H3573-76, H3579

Meningitis Awareness Month: H. Con. Res. 340, supporting the goals and ideals of Meningitis Awareness Month (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 360 yeas with none voting "nay," Roll No. 232).

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Prescription Drug Benefit Plan: Agreed that the requirement of clause 2(c)(1) of rule XII not apply to a bill that includes a proposal to provide a prescription drug benefit plan. Clause 2(c)(1) of rule XII stipulates that the Speaker shall designate a committee of primary jurisdiction with respect to the referral of a matter.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H3567.

Referrals: S. 672 and S. 1770 were held at the desk.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3578–79, H3579, and H3579–80. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

Committee Meetings

HOMELAND SECURITY REORGANIZATION

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources held a hearing on "Homeland Security Reorganization: What Impact on Federal Law Enforcement and Drug Interdiction?" Testimony was heard from Adm. Robert E. Kramek (Ret.), USCG, former Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation; the following former officials of the Department of Justice: Donnie Marshall, Administrator, DEA; and Douglas M. Kruhm, Assistant Commissioner, U.S. Border Patrol, INS; the former officials of the Department of the Treasury: Peter K. Nunez, Secretary for Enforcement; and Sam Banks, Acting Commissioner, U.S. Customs Service; and a public witness.

MOTION TO CONCUR WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS—SMALL BUSINESS PAPERWORK RELIEF ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a resolution providing for a single motion offered by the Chairman of the Committee on Government Reform, or his designee, to concur in the Senate amendments to H.R. 327, Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002. The resolution provides one hour of debate in the House on the motion equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Government Reform. The resolution waives all points of order against consideration of the motion to concur in the Senate amendments and provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the motion to final adoption without intervening motion or demand for division of the question.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST of June 13, 2002, p. D613)

S. 1372, to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States. Signed on June 14, 2002. (Public Law 107–189)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to mark up the proposed Public Company Accounting Reform and Investor Protection Act of 2002, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine steroid use in professional baseball and anti-doping issues in amateur sports, 9:30 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings on S. 198, to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to provide assistance through States to eligible weed management entities to control or eradicate harmful, nonnative weeds on public and private land; S. 1846, to prohibit oil and gas drilling in Finger Lakes National Forest in the State of New York; S. 1879, to resolve the claims of Cook Inlet Region, Inc., to lands adjacent to the Russian River in the State of Alaska; S. 2222, to resolve certain conveyances and provide for alternative land selections under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act related to Cape Fox Corporation and Sealaska Corporation; S. 2471, to provide for the independent investigation of Federal wildland firefighter fatalities; and S. 2482, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to grant to Deschutes

and Crook Counties in the State of Oregon a right-of-way to West Butte Road, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine water resources development programs within the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 2:30 p.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the protection of seniors from abuse and neglect, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Full Committee, business meeting to resume markup of H.R. 7, to provide incentives for charitable contributions by individuals and businesses, to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of government program delivery to individuals and families in need, and to enhance the ability of low-income Americans to gain financial security by building assets; and to begin markup of S. 2498, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require adequate disclosure of transactions which have a potential for tax avoidance or evasion; and S. 2119, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of inverted corporate entities and of transactions with such entities, 2:30 p.m., SD–215.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold oversight hearings to examine the implementation of the Texas Restoration Act, to provide for the restoration of Federal recognition to the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and the Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas (P.L. 100–89), 10 a.m., SR–485.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold joint closed hearings with the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence to examine certain events surrounding September 11, 2001, 10 a.m., S–407, Capitol.

Full Committee, to hold joint closed hearings with the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence to examine certain events surrounding September 11, 2001, 2:30 p.m., S—407, Capitol.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine proposals to reform the death penalty, 10 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government, on OPM, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, hearing on "The Rising Cost of Health Care: How are Employers and Employees Responding?" 11:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to consider the Medicare Modernization and Prescription Drug Act of 2002, 1:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises, to continue hearings entitled "Insurance Regulation and Competition for the 21st Century," Part III, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, to mark up H.R. 3995, Housing Affordability for America Act of 2002, 2 p.m., 2220 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management, and Intergovernmental Relations, hearing on H.R 1081, Accountability for Presidential Records Act, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management, and Intergovernmental Relations, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4685, Accountability of Tax Dollars Act of 2002; H.R. 4978, Improper Payments Reduction Act of 2002, 3 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Middle East and South Asia, hearing on Recent Developments in the Middle East, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to continue markup of H.R. 3215, Combating Illegal Gambling Reform and Modernization Act; and to mark up the followings bills: H.R. 1452, Family Reunification Act of 2001; H.R. 4623, Child Obscenity and Pornography Prevention Act of 2002; H.R. 4477, Sex Tourism Prohibition Improvement Act of 2002; H.R. 4679, Lifetime Consequences for Sex Offenders Act of 2002; H.R. 4858, to improve access to physicians in medically underserved areas; H. Res. 417, recognizing and honoring the career and work of Justice C. Clifton Young; and H.R. 4864, Anti-Terrorism Explosives Act of 2002, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 912, Innocence Protection Act of 2001, 4 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, hearing on H.R. 4840, Sound Science for Endangered Species Act Planning Act of 2002, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider the following: H.R. 2114, National Monument Fairness Act; H.R. 3389, National Sea College Program Act Amendments of 2002; H.R. 1979, Small Airport Safety, Security, and Air Service Improvement Act of 2002; and H.R. 4931, Permanent Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act of 2002, 4:30 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Sub-committee on Highways and Transit, hearing on Intermodalism: Moving America's People and Goods, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the following: Medicare Modernization and Prescription Drug Act of 2002; and H.R. 4946, Improving Access to Long-Term Care Act of 2002, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

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Next Meeting of the SENATE 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 18

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will resume consideration of S. 2600, Terrorism Risk Insurance Act, with a vote on the motion to close further debate on the bill to occur at approximately 9:45 a.m.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 18

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of Suspensions:

- (1) H.R. 3250, Sioux Code Talkers Recognition Act;
- (2) H.R. 4794, Ronald C. Packard Post Office, Oceanside, California; and
- (3) H.R. 4717, Jim Fonteno Post Office, Pasadena,

Consideration of H. Res. 444, providing for a motion to concur in the Senate amendments to H.R. 327, Small Business Paperwork Relief Act.

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